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# **“THE VIEW” December 2018**

## Homeowners and Residents of Mountain View

The attendance at the HOA Meeting last night was sparse, but most of the regulars were there. The Board appreciates everyone's attendance because it shows you care about our community. We also care, or we wouldn't be there. We covered a multitude of topics, some or all of them, which may be of interest to you.

I always wonder where to start, the good news first, or the not so good news first. Okay, good news wins.

The Holidays are upon us again! I don't know about you, but the older I get the quicker the year goes. It seems like only yesterday it was summer. Now we have our beautiful holiday decorations displayed in the clubhouse. You really should take a look. Darlena, Kurt and Maggie did an outstanding job. Even if you don't go to the clubhouse you probably go in and out of the gates where the holiday decorations just magically appeared. I know there are a number of residents involved in this endeavor, so I won't try to name them all as I know I would miss someone. I will just say thank you to all who participated and know your efforts are greatly appreciated by one and all. It is a wonderful effort you give to the community.

Our Holiday dinner is Saturday, December 8th. If you don't already have your reservation you probably will miss out on this wonderful tradition. For those of you who have made a plan to attend, wear your loose clothes because Yolanda is preparing a traditional holiday dinner for us, to include pumpkin pie!

Don't forget, we won't be having an HOA Meeting in December. The meeting in January is our annual meeting with the election and election results. If you are interested in running for the Board, the application deadline is December 3rd. Each position has a two-year run. This is always an exciting time for the community when we find who our leaders will be for the next year.

Darlena gave a great comprehensive report on the new gym equipment. She made a well put together proposal and the board approved it with a caveat to include new rubberized flooring. The old machines will come out first, the new flooring installed and then the new equipment brought in. We will be keeping one of the treadmills and the newer elliptical bike, all other equipment will be replaced with newer, more up to date equipment. This should be happening soon so keep an eye on your email as an announcement will be made when the gym closes for the upgrade.

Strange cars and strange people have been seen in our community! These folks were seen looking into parked cars. If you can get your vehicles into your garage that is the safest thing to do. If you need to park on your driveway, make sure you either remove or hide all things that might be of interest to someone who has no scruples. It has been said that you should also remove your electronic gate/garage door opener and registration and insurance papers (anything with private information). If you see someone who looks suspicious, call the police! You may just save one of your neighbors from a traumatic loss. "If you see something, say something!"

One last thing the Board approved was to turn off the pool heater for the winter months beginning December 1st until late March to be fully heated again on April 1st. Last year we heated the pool during December, but it was a warmer year. This year isn't as nice, we didn't feel the added cost to heat the pool was a wise use of our money.

My best wishes to you and your families during this Holiday Season. Enjoy a Merry Christmas, a Happy Hanukkah or whatever your choice of Holidays is.

Regards,

**Carolyn Daniels**

# Mountain View HOA Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

October 31, 2018

Operating Income/-Loss	\$3,186.64
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Actual	\$32,738.50
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Budget	\$29,862.00
Operating Funds	\$65,150.93
Petty Cash	\$1,500.00

## DELINQUENCY STATUS REPORT:

As of Oct. 31, 2018, there is a total of \$6,477.10 in delinquent assessments, which represents an approximate delinquency rate of 1.81%, as compared to the last rate of 1.53% on Sept. 30, 2018.

## COMMITTEE UPDATES:

**Finance:** October books look good. We propose getting a 2-year CD at 3.1% interest to replace CD ending in December. Board approved.

**Social:** Christmas Dinner on Dec 8 has 64 reservations. There will be no bid whist that day. Super Bowl Party with Chili cookoff is on Feb 3.

**Landscape:** We propose plant and pot replacements by pool, tennis court, Cactus gate, and Rainier slope for \$1728. Board approved.

**Facilities:** We presented gym upgrade proposal with new and refurbished equipment, including a new treadmill. Board approved purchase of equipment for approximately \$16,000 to be funded by reserves.

Board assigned and approved two Board members to complete plan for new gym flooring and to purchase it within the gym reserve budget.

Pool que tips will be replaced. A camera sign will be mounted at Clubhouse. Fixture will be replaced on a parking lot light pole.

**Communications:** For this fiscal YTD, Newsletter Revenue has exceeded cost by \$350 and printing HOA documents in-house has saved us \$720. We ask residents to encourage good vendors to advertise in our Newsletter.

**Neighborhood Watch:** We have seen erratic driving in neighborhood and ask people to be more cautious. Do not leave valuables in cars parked outside. There were issues of load music and barking dogs.

**Clubhouse Renovation:** Two vendors are still being processed for approval by BCS. We hope to get the go-ahead to begin in Dec or Jan. Board approved ordering one chair for assessment.

## BOARD ACTIONS:

### **Consent Calendar**

The Board approved:

- Oct., 2018 Open Session minutes
- Sept, 2018 Financial and Bank Reports subject to annual audit

### **Unfinished Business**

**Patio Cover Proposal:** Board approved proposal by L.J. Hausner to replace patio cover with solid alumawood, re-install fans, and install rain gutters and downspouts for \$14,924, to be funded by reserves.

### **New Business**

**Pool Area Furniture, Additional Umbrella Proposal –** At last meeting, Board gave approval to replace 12 lounge chairs, 4 chairs, 3 umbrellas, and 2 stands. Board, today, approved replacement of one additional umbrella and stand.

The fabrics presented for the new chairs and umbrellas are in beautiful shades of blue.

**Proposed Rule Change Approval –** The Board approved revisions to the Rules and Regulations and Clubhouse Rental Agreements which were sent to the homeowners for a 30-day comment period. No comments had been received.

**Pool Heater Winter Shut Off –** The Board discussed the date to turn off the heater considering expense and benefits. The Board approved 12/1 as the shutoff date and 3/30 as the date to turn on the heat to bring it up to the desired temperature by 4/1.

## NEXT HOA BOARD MEETING:

There will be no regular meeting in December.

There may be a special December meeting on clubhouse renovation at a date to be published.

**The 2019 Annual HOA Meeting and Election of Board Members** will take place at the clubhouse on January 23, 2019 at 6:00 pm. Polls will open and close between 6:00 pm and 6:05 pm.

Seats held by Fred Humphrey and Darlena Stevens are up for election. Candidate applications were mailed to homeowners.

*Eunice Kang - HOA Board Secretary*

# Mountain View Christmas Dinner!



**Saturday  
December 8th  
5:00 P.M.  
Clubhouse  
\$10.00 Per Person**

**Turkey  
Ham  
Mashed Potatoes  
Cranberries  
Roll  
Pumpkin Pie**

**RSVP with payment  
no later than  
Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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**Social Club  
Maggie Lawrence**

Hello All,

The holidays have finally arrived. I hope all of you had a nice Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

Good news, we have a chair person, or should I say four chair persons, for the Bid Whist card games which meet at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

The four-chair people are, Jesse Roulhac, Vivian Holloman, Kevin Osmun and Cheryl Osmun. They have a great time of food and fellowship.

We are still looking for someone to assist with or chair the Craft Club. If interested or you would like more information, please contact me, at (951) 601-1952.

**Maggie ☺**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Years to all.

**The Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies**  
Invite you to join us  
As we celebrate the true meaning of  
Christmas.



**Christmas Celebration**  
*Sunday, December 16*  
5:00 pm  
Clubhouse

- **Pizza, sides and dessert.**
- **The Christmas Story read from the Bible and in video presentation.**
- **Sing-a-long Christmas music.**

**Everyone welcome!**  
Contact Duke and Cindy Yore  
for more information.  
(951) 485-2146

**Social Club  
Upcoming Events  
Maggie Lawrence**

**Saturday, December 8th**

Christmas Party  
Hosted by Social Club & Ladies Luncheon  
5:00 pm; Full Dinner In The Club House

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**Sunday, December 16th**

Free Christmas Celebration  
Hosted by The Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies  
5:00 pm in the Clubhouse

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**NO TGIF IN DECEMBER**

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**Friday, January 25th**

TGIF 5pm Happy Hour, 6pm potluck dinner

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**Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

SUPER Bowl Sunday 3pm at the clubhouse  
More To Follow

## The Green Thumb Corner

Victoria Klaas

*Greetings fellow Gardening enthusiasts,*

December in our region is often an odd mix of either history making cold or unprecedented warmth, often in the same month.

There is still a lot that can be done outdoors this month, and a vast multitude of plants which bloom in December and early January. If you planted annuals, such as Violas or Iceland poppies in October, you are probably enjoying their color in your garden right now. Another plant that blooms in December is *Camellia sasanqua*, which is a species of *Camellia*. This plant is a little lankier in growth habit than the traditional *Camellia japonica*. It is nearly immune to the damage of blossom blight which disfigures so many flowers on the latter. These come in all traditional *Camellia* colors, but red is particularly lovely for the Christmas season.

Turf grasses will benefit from a light feeding of a granular fertilizer this month, and again in January and February. Cold nights mean that bacteria in the soil which produces nitrogen during warmer weather are now dormant, and thus nitrogen is unavailable to roots. Artificial fertilizers will quickly green up brown or yellow lawns.

Perennials which may be planted this month for late winter bloom include Delphiniums, Foxglove (*Digitalis*), Columbine (*Aquilegia*), and Coral Bells (*Heuchera*).

This is an ideal time to relocate roses or small deciduous fruit trees. Before digging up these plants, prune them down to a manageable size. Roots can also be pruned to accommodate the size of a new planting hole. Plant them at the same level they were previously and water well to settle the soil. Cold soil temperatures promote strong root growth and transplants should resume normal vigorous growth in March.

Cymbidium orchids often begin blooming in December. These hardy orchids do very well outdoors under covered patios all year long in our area. They require some winter chill to bloom and their flowers are spectacular. These plants are available in a range of sizes from miniature to five-gallon giants which produce five-inch blooms.

Crowded perennials such as Daylilies or Agapanthus may also be divided through winter. Continue to shop for and plant spring flowering bulbs such as Narcissus, Tulips, and Hyacinths.

Garden centers are full of wonderful Christmas gift ideas for gardeners. Some of the better nurseries offer a wealth of ideas such as ornamental faucet handles, bird houses, hummingbird feeders, outdoor thermometers, barometers, and of course, potted plants and flowers.

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There are also gifts that can help inspire a love of gardening in our grandchildren, such as miniature dish gardens and child friendly seed collections.

Don't forget to protect tender tropical and subtropical plants from frost. Cover them or move them under a patio or indoors if frost threatens. These plants should not be pruned during cold weather. This will only stimulate new growth which will be even more vulnerable to frost and dieback. If plants are damaged by frost, resist the impulse to prune off the damage. The damaged portion will protect the plant from further injury from cold weather, so just be patient, and delay pruning tender plants until mid-April.

If it's too cold to work outside, curl up with a seed catalog and plan changes to next year's garden. That's almost as much fun.

### **Happy Holidays and Happy Gardening!**

*"Winter is the season in which people try to keep the house as warm as it was in the summer, when they complained about the heat."*

**Author Unknown**

## Rattle Those Pots and Pans

From The Kitchen of Katie Wenke

### **Candy Cane Cookies**

½ cup butter or margarine, softened  
½ cup shortening  
1 cup confectioners' sugar  
1 egg  
1 ½ teaspoons almond extract  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
2 ½ cups all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon salt  
½ teaspoon red food color  
½ cup crushed peppermint candy  
½ cup granulated sugar



Heat oven to 375. Mix thoroughly butter, shortening, confectioners' sugar, egg and flavorings. Blend in flour and salt. Divide dough in half. Blend food color into one half.

Shape 1 teaspoon dough from each of the halves into 4-inch long ropes. For smooth, even ropes, roll them back and forth on lightly floured board. Place colored and no-colored ropes side by side; press together lightly and twist. Complete cookies one at a time. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Curve top down to form the handle of the cane.

Bake about 9 minutes or until set and very light brown. Mix candy and granulated sugar. Immediately sprinkle cookies with candy mixture and remove from baking sheet.

Makes about 4 dozen cookies.



## Letters to the Editor

Hello Neighbors,

Did you know that the ads in our Newsletter really help support our social activities and parties?

Please remember to consider the services our advertisers have to offer.

Also, if a company has given you good service, encourage them to advertise in our Newsletter. The price is reasonable and our Newsletter is well-read by the residents in our 255 homes.

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Thank you,

**The Editor** 😊

Hello and happy holidays neighbors,

Just wanted to say **Thank You** to all of you who helped decorate our gates for the holiday season.

Don't they look just wonderful and put you in the holiday spirit?

A great big Thank You to the following who volunteered their time and efforts.

Rob Buck

Darryl Householder

Jain Householder

Eunice Kang

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Enjoy your Holidays,

**Gretchen Williams**



## Letters to the Editor

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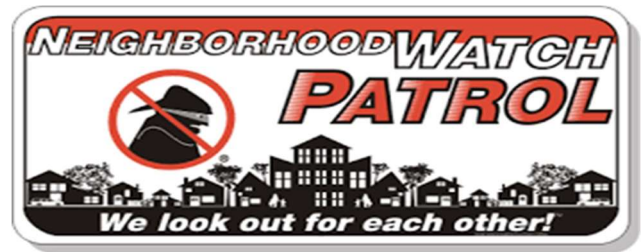
This letter is from our Neighbor Hood Watch Team.

**WARNING:** We have received reports of a white sedan containing two hooded young people driving around our neighborhood late at night. These individuals were seen shining flashlights into cars parked in some of our driveways.

We strongly suggest that everyone in our neighborhood keep their cars locked when unattended in their driveways. In addition, you may want to avoid leaving your garage door openers or any valuables in your vehicles outside of your garage.

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**Your Neighbor Hood Watch Team**



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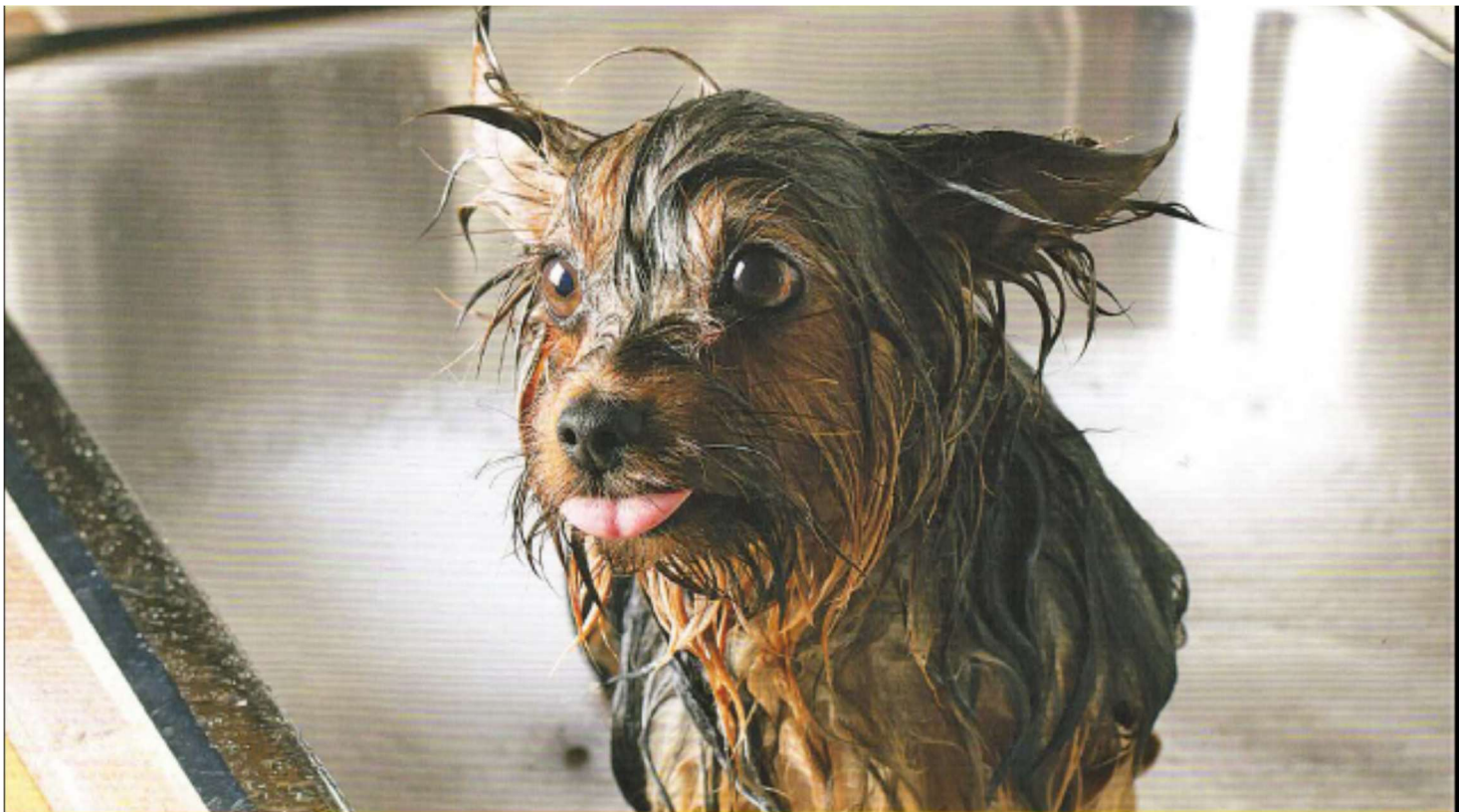


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